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For:

FLASH MEMORY STRUCTURE USING SIDEWALL FLOATING GATE AND

METHOD FOR FORMING THE SAME

Assistant Commissioner of Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 3, insert -- The present Application is a Divisional Application of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/097,515, filed on June 15, 1998.--.

Page 7, line 10, delete "4A" and insert --4B--;

line 11, delete "4B" and insert --4A--.

Page 8, line 27, delete "Figure 4" and insert -- Figures 4A-4C--;

line 30, delete "the details of Figure 4" and insert -- Figures 4B and 4C--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-4 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 have been canceled to allow prosecution of claims 5-49. No new matter has been added.

Early and favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to the Assignee's Deposit Account No. 09-0458.

Respectfully submitted,

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